(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise

(c) whether it is also a fact that road acidents are increasing rapidly due to dilapidated condition of roads; and

(d) if so, the measres being taken by Government to repair the dilapidated roads of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) and (b) This Ministry is primarily responsible for the development and maintenance of National Highways only. The National Highways are generally maintained in traffic worthy condition within the available resources.

(c) Road accidents are caused by several factors like negligent driving, faulty vehicles, lack of traffic guidance and poor geometrics and riding surface of roads. Statistics reveal that 1.1% of accidents are caused due to bad condition of roads.

(d) Does not arise.

Road safety

1669. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that widening and improvement of roads is one of the measures taken by Government to improve road safety in the country; and

(b) if so, the details of the works done in this regard during the last two ears, year-wise and State-wise with particular details of Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS [MAJ. GEN. (RETD.) B.C. KHANDURI]: (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Details are as below:

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of State/UT	Widening of National Highways : Length (kms)		Strengthening/Improvement of Riding Surface of National Highways : Length (Kms)	
		During 2000-2001	During 2001-2002	During 2000-2001	During 2001-2002
1.	Andhra Pradesh	60.00	76.22	162.00	326.92
2.	Assam	1.92	25.00	17.02	124.00
3.	Bihar	15.00	28.00	45.00	28.00
4.	Chhattisgarh	—	7.20	—	72.60
5.	Goa	—	—	2.00	—
6.	Gujarat	20.00	31.00	72.00	100.60
7.	Haryana	0.88	—	164.83	152.19
8.	Himachal Pradesh	7.10	3.00	69.48	116.91
9.	Jharkhand	—	19.00	—	—
10.	Karnataka	69.00	125.00	32.00	405.00
11.	Kerala	9.80	18.00	5.50	—
12.	Madhya Pradesh	77.50	36.20	47.19	348.20
13.	Maharashtra	17.00	6.43	138.60	377.51
14.	Manipur	—	—	1.00	4.13
15.	Meghalaya	8.00	5.00	17.00	6.39
16.	Mizoram	—	0.5	—	—
17.	Nagaland	3.00	—	—	11.00
18.	Orissa	50.50	25.00	90.00	14.00
19.	Punjab	11.89	—	14.45	5.19
20.	Rajasthan	86.00	107.5	25.00	548.90
21.	Tamil Nadu	25.5	5.30	145.95	379.70
22.	Uttaranchal	—	—	—	106.00
23.	Uttar Pradesh	6.90	13.50	104.33	200.20
24.	West Bengal	10.10	2.10	31.00	20.50
25.	Chandigarh	—	—	10.75	—
26.	Delhi	4.50	—	—	6.80
27.	Pondhicherry	—	—	—	3.27
28.	NHAI	—	449.00	—	—
29.	BRDB	70.82	100.76	—	85.38
	TOTAL:	555.41	1083.71	1195.10	3451.39